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NOTICE TO ALL MCHENRY COUNTY MEDIA

MEETING NOTICE

(July 18, 2017) In compliance with the Open Meetings Act, this is to inform you that the regularly monthly meeting of the McHenry County Conservation District Board of Trustees has been scheduled for Thursday, July 20, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Brookdale Administrative Offices in Woodstock, Illinois.

The Brookdale Administrative Offices are located in Brookdale Conservation Area at 18410 US Highway 14, Woodstock, Illinois. Please contact the District office for more detailed directions at (815) 338-6223 X1234.
1.0 CALL TO ORDER - President Pro Tempore Barrett

2.0 ROLL CALL
   2.1 Roll Call

3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4.0 CONSERVATION ETHIC
   Goal #6: To foster a conservation ethic among McHenry County citizens helping all of us, regardless of the basis for our interest in nature, to develop a greater awareness of our role in, and responsibility for, the total community of life. A conservation ethic asks us to assume a moral duty to become educated about conservation issues and then to act on that information. A conservation ethic is an attitude that recognizes the importance of preserving the natural heritage of the county's open space.

   Goal #4: To interpret and to promote the overall significance of natural and cultural resources and to promote public understanding and support of District land management practices.

5.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS I
   Public comments will be limited to 3 min. per person. Board members welcome all comments and will take them under advisement.

6.0 PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS
   6.1 Introduction of Newly Appointed Trustee - John Henning
7.0 READING OF OATH & ELECTION OF OFFICERS
7.1 Inaugural Ceremony - Oath of Office
7.2 Nomination for President, Gift Ban Act Officer & Ethics Officer
7.3 Nomination for Vice-President
7.4 Nomination for Treasurer
7.5 Nomination for Secretary
7.6 Standing Committee Appointments

8.0 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS & REPORTS
8.1 Trustee Reports on Conferences & Meetings Attended
   8.1a Fox River Ecosystem Partnership - Trustee Scacci
   8.1b CMAP - Director of Land Preservation & Natural Resources Collins
   8.1c Chicago Wilderness - Trustee Barrett & Executive Director Kessler
   8.1d Agricultural Conservation Easement and Farmland Protection - Vacant
   8.1e IACFPD/IAPD/NRPA - Executive Director Kessler
   8.1f McHenry County Conservation Foundation - Trustee Brandt & Trustee Kranz
   8.1g McHenry County Council of Governments - Trustee Barrett
   8.1h Green Drinks Crystal Lake - Trustee Kranz
   8.1i Conservation Congress 2018 - Trustee Barrett & Trustee Kranz
   8.1j Other

8.2 Finance & Administrative Committee
   8.2a Summary of items discussed at the meeting held on July 20, 2017.

8.3 Outreach & Advocacy Committee
   8.3a Summary of items discussed at the meeting held on July 20, 2017.

9.0 COUNTY BOARD LIAISON REPORT

10.0 BOARD BUSINESS - CONSENT AGENDA

Consent agenda items are approved in one motion as presented on the agenda. The Trustees may remove items from the consent agenda for discussion purposes prior to the motion to approve.

10.1 Approval of Minutes
   10.1a June 22, 2017
   10.1b June 29, 2017 - Special Call

10.2 Board Committee Minutes to be Received and Placed on File
   10.2a Finance & Administration Committee Minutes for June 22, 2017
   10.2b Outreach & Advocacy Committee Minutes for June 22, 2017

10.3 Motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report for June 30, 2017 as presented.

10.4 Motion to adopt Resolution #17-22 designating Depository Financial Institutions for the District.

10.5 Motion to authorize the destruction of listed verbatim recordings of Executive Session meetings between July 2015 and December 2015, in compliance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act.
10.6 Motion to authorize the release of the listed Executive Session meeting minutes to the public domain in compliance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

10.7 Motion to adopt Resolution #17-24 amending the District 457 Deferred Compensation Plan through Nationwide to include a loan provision.

10.8 Motion to adopt Resolution #17-23 authorizing the Board President and Executive Director to execute a Joint and Cooperative Purchasing Program Participation Resolution and any other documents for the continued voluntary participation in the Joint Purchasing Program with the State of Illinois until terminated by either party.

10.9 Motion to adopt Resolution #17-27 calling to convene the 2018 Conservation Congress on McHenry County Public Lands for February 10, 2018 and to authorize the creation of a Steering Committee to plan the event, establish protocols, shape the conversation and determine delegate organizations.

10.10 Motion to adopt Resolution #17-25 authorizing the Executive Director to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Marengo Township Road District for the purchase of road salt.

10.11 Motion to authorize the payment of $558.83 to Frontier Communications under protest to close the fraudulent calls matter.

10.12 Motion to authorize the disposal of listed excess equipment through a public on-line auction with Obenauf Auction Services, Inc. of Round Lake, IL.

10.13 Motion to authorize the submission of a grant application to the 2017 Urban and Community Forestry Grant Program for the reforestation efforts at Glacial Park Conservation Area ex post facto.

10.14 Motion to adopt Resolution #17-26 authorizing the Executive Director to execute an agreement with the Union Pacific Railroad Company for Construction and Maintenance of the Ridgefield Trace Union Pacific Railroad At-Grade Crossing if terms are agreeable with the District’s legal counsel and Board President.

10.15 Motion to authorize staff to prepare specifications and let bids for the purchase of native trees and shrubs for various restoration projects.

10.16 Motion to adopt Resolution #17-28 formally acknowledge and regretfully accept the resignation of Trustee Brandon Thomas (2012-2017) effective immediately.

11.0 OTHER BOARD BUSINESS

11.1 Approval of Bills Payable for the Month of June 2017

Motion to approve the payment of bills as indicated on the Submission of Bills Pending Report for the month ending June 30, 2017.

11.2 Hollows Conservation Area - Alternative Farming Discussion

11.3 Rt. 31 Bike Path - Illinois Department of Transportation

11.4 Village of Algonquin - Streetscape Improvement Project - Request for Utility Easement - Ordinance #17-936

11.5 FY 2017 Property Tax Levy Discussion
12.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

13.0 TRUSTEES’ REPORT

14.0 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT
14.1 FY 2016-2020 Strategic Plan - First Quarter Status Report - Year 3
14.2 Project Update: ADA Improvements
14.3 Dashboard - First Quarter FY 2018
14.4 In the News - First Quarter FY 2018

15.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION (if needed)
Motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to (Review of Closed Session Minutes) of the Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/1 et. seq.).

16.0 RECONVENE - IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION

17.0 ACTION ON ITEMS OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION
17.1 Consideration of a motion to authorize the release of the listed Executive Session meeting minutes to the public domain in compliance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

18.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS II

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19.0 ADJOURN
(Motion to adjourn or a motion to fix the time to which the Board shall adjourn to Thursday, August 3, 2017, 6:00 p.m., Brookdale Administrative Office if needed).

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